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TO AMEMBASSY ASUNCION

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: SHUM, PA

SUBJECT: CONGRESSIONAL MESSAGES TO PRESIDENT STROESSNER

REF: A) ASUNCION 924; B) ASUNCION 1135; C) STATE 63474.

1. SENATOR CHURCH'S OFFICE CONTACTED THE DESK APRIL 12 TO ASK WHETHER THE SENATE LETTER (REF A) HAD BEEN PRESENTED TO PRESIDENT STROESSNER. ON APRIL 13 THE DESK WAS INDIRECTLY INFORMED THAT AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL HAD MADE THE SAME INQUIRY REGARDING THE HOUSE LETTER (REF B). CHURCH'S OFFICE INDICATED THAT IT HAS BEEN APPROXIMATELY SIX WEEKS SINCE THE SENATE LETTER WAS PREPARED AND THEY ARE ANXIOUS TO MAKE THE PRESENTATION AND PUBLICIZE THE FACT.

2. WE ASSUME THAT AN APPROPRIATE OPPORTUNITY TO PRESENT THE LETTERS HAS NOT YET OCCURRED, AND SO ADVISED BOTH
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INQUIRERS. THEY WOULD LIKE A STATUS REPORT. IN THE EVENT THAT THE PROSPECT FOR PRESENTING THE LETTERS DIRECTLY TO STROESSNER DOES NOT APPEAR TO BE PRACTICAL IN THE VERY NEAR FUTURE, THEY WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY ADVICE ON THE BEST ALTERNATIVE FOR BRINGING THE LETTERS TO THE ATTENTION OF GOP LEADERS. THEY ARE RELUCTANT TO GIVE ORIGINALS TO THE PARAGUAYAN AMBASSADOR, BUT

PLAN TO GIVE HIM COPIES WHEN THE LETTER IS DELIVERED.

OUR ASSESSMENT IS THAT THEY WOULD BE SATISFIED IF THE
LETTERS WERE GIVEN TO THE FOREIGN MINISTER.

3. IF THIS LATTER ALTERNATIVE IS AGREEABLE, PLEASE ADVISE
US OF THE FOREIGN MINISTER'S REACTION AND ANY STATEMENT
HE WISHES US TO PASS TO THE DRAFTERS OF THE LETTERS. WE
WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE THE EMBASSY'S SUGGESTION HOW THE
LETTERS COULD BE MOST EFFECTIVELY PUBLICIZED BY THE
CONGRESSIONAL AUTHORS. CHRISTOPHER

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